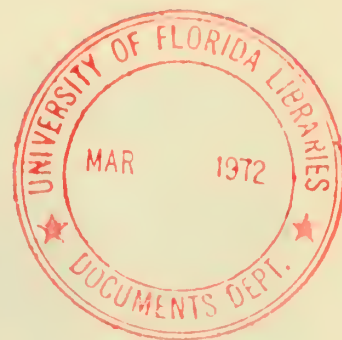


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SPOFFORD PORTRAIT GIVEN TO LC

A handsome portrait of Ainsworth Rand Spofford, Librarian of Congress from 1864 to 1897, was recently donated to the Library. It originally belonged to Mrs. Barbara Spofford Morgan of Norfolk, Conn., Spofford's granddaughter, who died on April 1, 1971.

In 1970, Mrs. Morgan donated more than 200 items to the Ainsworth Rand Spofford Papers in the Manuscript Division (see *LC Information Bulletin*, April 20, 1970, pp. 422-3) and agreed that the portrait should come to the Library after her death.

The Librarians's Reception Room (MB-108) was selected as a particularly appropriate location for the painting, which was executed by New York artist Bayard H. Tyler (1855-1931).

FIRST BICENTENNIAL SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULED AT LIBRARY MAY 5-6

The first in a series of symposia on the American Revolution, made possible by a grant from the Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation of Washington, D.C., will be held at the Library May 5 and 6. The two-day meeting in the Coolidge Auditorium will be on the theme of "The Development of a Revolutionary Mentality."

Henry S. Commager, Professor of History at Amherst College, will deliver the opening address on Friday morning, May 5, on the topic, "The American

Revolution and the Enlightenment." The afternoon session will hear Caroline Robbins, Professor of History at Bryn Mawr College, speak on "Revolutionaries and Republicans in the Old World Before 1776," with comments by J. H. Plumb, Professor of Modern English History, Christ's College, Cambridge, England. The second speaker, Richard Bushman, Professor of History at Boston University, will talk on "Corruption and Power in Provincial America," with comments by Edmund S. Morgan, Sterling Professor of History at Yale University.

On Saturday morning, May 6, Pauline Maier, Assistant Professor of History at the University of Massachusetts, will speak on "The Development of a Republican Ideology in America in the 1760's and 1770's," and Jack P. Greene, Professor of History at The Johns Hopkins University, will comment on her paper. Mary Beth Norton, Assistant Professor of History at Cornell University, will present "The Loyalist Critique of Republicanism." Esmond Wright, Director of the Institute for United States Studies, University of London, has agreed to serve as commentator.

Part of a program of Bicentennial projects planned by the Library of Congress, the symposium series is being planned and coordinated by James Hutson and other members of the Library's American Revolution Bicentennial staff, with the advice of Richard B. Morris, Gouverneur Morris Professor of History at Columbia University, and other members of the Library's advisory committee of distinguished historians. Professor Morris will chair this first symposium;



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other members of the advisory committee taking part are Professors Jack P. Greene and Edmund S. Morgan.

Persons wishing to attend the May meeting should write for registration information to the American Revolution Bicentennial Office, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

RAMPAL AND VEYRON-LACROIX IN CONCERT OF CHAMBER MUSIC

On Friday evening, February 25, the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation in the Library of Congress will sponsor a concert of chamber music for flute and keyboard. The artists for this concert will be Jean-Pierre Rampal and Robert Veyron-Lacroix. Both artists have toured extensively as soloists and as a team, and have appeared at the Library several times. Their program will include: Sonata in G minor by Johann Sebastian Bach; Three Romances, Op. 94 by Robert Schumann; Duo for Flute and Piano by Aaron Copland; Sonata in E minor, Op. 169 by Carl Reinecke; and Suite Paysanne hongroise by Béla Bartók.

This concert will begin promptly at 8:30 p.m. in the Coolidge Auditorium of the Library. It will be

broadcast in its entirety by Station WGMS of Washington, D.C., and tape recordings for delayed broadcasts will be made available to stations in other cities by the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

Tickets for this concert will be distributed by Patrick Hayes, 1300 G St., N.W., beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, February 21. A service charge of 25 cents is placed on each ticket, and only two tickets are distributed to an individual. Telephone reservations may be made on Monday morning by calling 393-4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

CAST SUBSTITUTION ANNOUNCED

Chase Crosley will appear as Martha in performances of "Sally, George and Martha" to be given at the Library of Congress on February 21 and 22. Miss Crosley is replacing Gloria Maddox.

LEAVE ADMINISTRATION

[This is the first article in a three-part series on the Library's leave regulations. Part I deals with the administration of leave and annual and sick leave regulations; Part II will treat leave without pay (LWOP) and absence without official leave (AWOL); the concluding part will take up other forms of leave.]

One area of Library policy and regulations that affects almost every employee of the Library is leave. The regulations, comprising some 50 pages in Section 2015 of the *Library of Congress Regulations*, seem to provide for every situation and contingency necessitating a person's absence from work. Going on vacation, visiting the dentist, having a baby, serving on a jury, attending a professional meeting, getting caught in a snow storm, and registering for the draft are all provided for in the section of LCR's found under the heading, "Leave Administration."

Authority for Leave Administration is contained in "Annual and Sick Leave," Sections 6301-6324 of Title 5 of the U.S. Code and in the "Uniform Annual and Sick Leave Regulations" of the Civil Service Commission. Within the framework of the law, however, there is some flexibility for the individual agency. The law, for instance, allows an individual to take advance annual leave, that is, annual leave which he will earn during the leave year and which is credited to his leave account at the beginning of the year.

The Library of Congress policy also provides that an employee may be granted advance annual leave—that is, leave he will earn during the current leave year.

Two offices in the Library are most concerned with the administration of leave. They are the Personnel Operations Office, under the Director for Personnel, and the Payroll Preparation Unit, which is part of the Accounting Office, under the Financial Management Office, the responsibility of the Assistant Director for Management Services. The Financial Management Office is given the responsibility for preparing, maintaining, and submitting time and attendance reports. Many other persons in the Library's various departments, divisions, and offices are also involved in administering the Library's leave policy—time and attendance clerks who must keep time and attendance reports for every employee, designated supervisors who approve leave requests and keep track of the leave practices of the various employees under them, and department directors and division chiefs who must maintain overall supervision of the process of administering leave policy.

The work of the Personnel Operations Office includes administering leave regulations, issuing them to the staff and answering questions regarding them, and recommending changes in leave policy. The office is also responsible for the general training of time and attendance clerks in leave policy. Questions concerning LC leave policy can range from the routine inquiry about charging or crediting an employee with leave to more difficult questions on military leave, court leave, home leave for overseas employees, the liquidation of advance annual leave, and so forth.

The Payroll Preparation Unit maintains the Library's time and attendance records. Staff members of the unit are responsible for knowing the various laws and regulations governing time and leave and for the general training of time and attendance clerks in time and attendance reports. When these reports are in error or are late, the unit must follow up on the problem to guarantee that accurate records will be turned into them on every other Friday in order to meet the deadlines that will assure every employee his paycheck on payday. After preparing the payroll, the unit notifies the Disbursing Office when an employee has taken excess leave and certifies the leave record of a person who separates from the Library.

Basic forms of leave covered in the Library's regulations are annual, sick, maternity, military, court, and administrative leave, leave without pay, and absence without official leave. Each is covered by specific regulations to guide the employee and supervisor in a

particular leave situation. The most common forms of leave are, of course, annual and sick leave.

Annual Leave

It is the Library's wish, according to LCR 2015-21, that every employee be able to take at least a two weeks' vacation every year, provided he has sufficient leave to his credit to do so. But whether an employee wants two weeks off for a vacation or only a day off to go Christmas shopping, the first rule is that all requests for annual leave, except in cases of emergencies, must be approved in advance by the designated supervisor.

Employees earn annual leave at the rate of four hours per pay period (13 days a year) if they have been in Government service for under three years, six hours per pay period (20 days a year) for three to 15 years of service, and eight hours (26 days a year) for over 15 years of service. An employee with a 30-day ceiling may not carry more than 240 hours (30 days) of annual leave over from one leave year to the next, nor may he substitute annual leave for sick leave to avoid losing the excess hours of leave, unless he still owes a debt for advance sick leave taken.

If an employee overdraws his annual leave—which might be the case if he had taken enough leave without pay (LWOP) to lose some of his annual leave—then at the end of the leave year, he may either be allowed to carry over the charge against his next year's leave or he may be required to refund his salary to the Library for the period of excess leave.

Although a new employee earns annual leave during the 90-day qualifying period, he may not be granted annual leave until the end of the 90 days. Part-time employees earn leave on a pro-rated basis. Ordinarily, no employee earns leave for a fraction of a pay period at the beginning or end of his Library service.

When an employee separates from the Library service for one or more workdays, he receives a lump-sum payment for the annual leave to his credit, unless he is separated for reasons of disloyalty or for a violation of the "no-strike affidavit." His lump-sum payment, however, may not exceed the amount of accumulated annual leave brought forward into the leave year in which he is separated or resigns, or 30 days, whichever is greater. If he comes back to the Library after a temporary separation, then he must refund to the Library that portion of the money equivalent to his unused annual leave. For example, an employee with 10 days of leave credit is separated and receives a lump-sum payment for his leave; after five days, he returns to work at the Library. He must then return



Have you ever wondered who makes it possible for all Library employees to be paid every other Tuesday, without fail and without error, come rain or snow or a Monday holiday? The answer to this question—the staff members of the Payroll Preparation Unit: (from left to right) Mrs. Edith V. Barker, Supervisor, Mrs. Karen L. Berube, Assistant Supervisor, Mrs. Nadine D. Shank, Elaine Robinson, Mrs. Mary D. Bolton, Mrs. Kathleen R. Lewis, and (seated) Mrs. Thelma L. Kehler. The unit prepares the Library's biweekly payroll for nearly 4,000 workers and maintains each employee's leave record. They code for computer printout each statistic regarding withholding, allotments, deductions, and leave earned and used. This information appears on the Statement of Earnings and Leave that accompanies the employee's paycheck. The computer printout is then checked for accuracy. The filing console in the background houses every employee's leave record.

to the Library the portion of the lump sum for the second five days of leave; the unused days of leave are recredited to his leave record and may be used during the 90-day qualifying period which he must serve again for the purpose of earning leave.

If an employee leaves Library service to go to work for another Government agency, without a break in service of one workday or more, he may transfer his leave credits to that agency.

An employee who leaves Library service with a debt of unearned annual leave on his record must pay back the Library for the excess leave taken. This does not apply, however, in case of death, disability which prevents the employee from returning to duty or continuing in the service and which is supported by an

acceptable medical certificate, or retirement for disability.

Sick Leave

Library employees earn four hours of sick leave per pay period (or 13 days per year) and there is no ceiling on the amount of sick leave an employee may accumulate. Sick leave is also transferable from one Government job to another, even when there is a break in service, providing that break does not exceed three years. The 90-day qualifying period does not apply to the use of sick leave.

An employee may use his sick leave under a variety of circumstances. An illness which incapacitates him for work, a contagious disease which might endanger

the health of his colleagues, an injury, a pregnancy, or a medical, dental, or optical examination or treatment will qualify an employee for sick leave. If an employee has to care for a member of his immediate family who has a contagious disease, then he may use his sick leave.

A staff member requesting sick leave must notify his supervisor as soon as possible of his illness and when he expects to return to work. In the case of a doctor's appointment for a physical examination, then the employee should notify his supervisor in advance. Under certain circumstances, the employee must provide a medical certificate to be granted sick leave. If his illness lasts longer than three workdays, then he must provide his supervisor with a statement from his doctor; if he did not consult a doctor, then he has to provide a statement signed by him explaining why, and it is up to the division chief to determine whether this statement justifies giving the employee sick leave. Cases of absence because of a contagious disease must be accompanied by a statement from the local health authorities giving the period of isolation or quarantine. And, in special instances, staff members may be required to provide medical certificates for absences of three days or less.

What happens if a staff member becomes sick when he is on vacation? When the illness is reported to his supervisor, then his annual leave is converted to sick leave for the days he was sick. If the illness lasted for more than three workdays, he must also provide a doctor's or his own statement certifying the illness. Any medical examinations conducted while on annual leave that required less than one day, however, may not be converted to sick leave.

If an employee suffers a serious disability or ailment—meaning generally one lasting for five or more consecutive workdays—and he exhausts his sick leave, then he may be granted up to 30 days of advance sick leave beyond what he has earned. Advance sick leave is not granted, however, in maternity cases or for staff members who must care for a member of the family with a contagious disease. Nor is it granted to employees who are expected to retire, be separated, or resign, or whose leave records do not appear to justify such approval. Additional conditions governing the granting of advance sick leave are that the employee have an amount in his retirement fund sufficient to cover the period of advance sick leave and that it is reasonably expected that the employee will return to duty. All requests for advance sick leave, which must be accompanied by a medical certificate, are submitted on a Library form (L/W 3/71)

and must be recommended by the division chief and approved by the Employee Relations Officer.

Next week's installment of "Leave Administration" will take up two forms of leave—leave without pay (LWOP) and absence without official leave (AWOL)—that are often confusing to supervisor and employee alike. The article will also look into the problem of tardiness and leave.

DR. SANCHEZ-BELDA VISITS LC

Luis Sanchez-Belda, Director of National Libraries and Archives of Spain, visited the Library of Congress on February 8. Since his previous visit in 1969, Dr. Sanchez-Belda has cooperated with representatives of the Library in a wide range of projects, and he had many old friends to see.

One of the principal reasons for his current visit, however, was to visit the Science and Technology Division where Marvin McFarland, Chief, and James Trew, Assistant Chief, showed him the Division and discussed with him problems and developments in the storage and retrieval of scientific and technical information.

His other main interest was in the Processing Department. As Dr. Sanchez-Belda was instrumental in the establishment of the Shared Cataloging Office for Spanish materials in Barcelona last year, he was warmly welcomed by William J. Welsh, Director of the Processing Department, and by Edmond Applebaum, Assistant Director for Overseas Operations. He also talked with Mrs. Nathalie Delougaz, Chief of the Shared Cataloging Division, and with many other members of the Department staff.

L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress, was host to Dr. Sanchez-Belda at a luncheon in the Whittall Pavilion with other staff members who knew or had worked with the guest. Peter Jacoby of the Department of State, who had served as Dr. Sanchez-Belda's interpreter during the morning, was also a guest at the luncheon. The interpreter for the afternoon was Peter de la Garza, Assistant to the Chief of the Overseas Operations Division.

Dr. Sanchez-Belda's current visit to the United States is sponsored by the National Science Foundation under the U.S.-Spain Cooperative Science Program of which Duncan Clement is Manager.

DBPH CITED BY BOY SCOUTS

A citation from the Boy Scouts of America (BSA)

has been given to the Library of Congress in recognition of the materials made available for young men in scouting who are visually and physically handicapped.

Given in connection with the Boy Scouts' 62nd anniversary celebration, the citation was accepted by Robert S. Bray, Chief of DBPH, on Tuesday, February 8. The presentation was made by two of the BSA's 1972 national youth representatives, David Barrus and Edwin R. Yarbrough.

The citation expressed appreciation for "the cooperation extended by the Library of Congress through its Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. Of particular note is the assistance and guidance freely given on all occasions by Mr. Robert S. Bray and Mr. Alfred D. Hagle. Scouting for the handicapped has been given great impetus with the special literature made possible in their Division. The records, cassettes, braille, and large print editions are invaluable aids in making the Scout program happen in the lives of boys."

Boys' Life monthly magazine in braille and the *Boy Scout Handbook*—on records, in braille, and in large print—are among the scouting literature made available through the Division.

CLASS NUMBERS FOR RECORDS

Classification numbers are now being given on Library of Congress printed cards for phonorecords. The numbers are printed in the lower left corner of the card within brackets, and include a topical subdivision where required, but no further cutting. Although the numbers will not be used at the Library of Congress because recordings are presently being shelved by manufacturer's name and catalog number, they will aid libraries who use LC classification for shelving purposes.

There is a difference between those bracketed numbers printed on cards for music and those printed on cards for phonorecords. The former are supplementary numbers intended for use in a classed catalog; the latter are intended for use as shelving numbers. Only one number will be printed for any one recording.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: India. Vol. 10, No. 12, pt. 1. December 1971. (pp. 687-770.) Continuing sub-

scriptions free to libraries upon request to the Field Director, Library of Congress, American Libraries Book Procurement Center, American Embassy, New Delhi, India.

Accessions List: Middle East. Vol. 9, No. 12. December 1971. (pp. 397-414.) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to Acting Field Director, Library of Congress Office, U.S. Interests Section, Spanish Embassy, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

Arms Control & Disarmament: A Quarterly Bibliography with Abstracts and Annotations. Vol. 8, No. 1, Winter 1971-72. (v, 125 p.) For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, at 75 cents this issue or \$2.50 a year, domestic, and \$3.25 a year, foreign.

The Processing Department of the Library of Congress has issued, for distribution to LC staff and participating publishers, a *Cataloging in Publication Progress Report* July-December 1971 (No. 1, January 1972). The report includes lists of the publishers actively participating in the program and those who have indicated a wish to join in 1972.

The Department also has available for distribution to publishers and interested librarians a limited number of copies of reprints of Verner W. Clapp's article, "The Greatest Invention Since the Title-Page? Autobiography from Incipit to Cataloging-in-Publication," which appeared in the December issue of the *Wilson Library Bulletin*. Requests should be addressed to Glen A. Zimmerman, Descriptive Cataloging Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

Dewey Decimal Classification, 18th edition, which was edited by the Library of Congress's Decimal Classification Division under a contract with Forest Press, Inc., the proprietor, has just appeared in a handsome set of three blue-bound volumes totaling 2,700 pages.

As compared with its predecessors, this new edition has a greatly expanded relative index which is more closely coordinated with the schedules, and contains more notes, definitions, and instructions to increase ease of use. There are 18,980 entries in the schedules and 7,161 in the auxiliary tables; schedules for law and mathematics have been completely revised, and there are numerous expansions, and five new auxiliary tables.

Other new features are the replacement of all the former instructions to "divide like" by simple-to-use instructions specifying exactly what digits should be added to what base numbers; an indication of all

numbers from the immediately preceding edition vacated because their content has been moved back to more general numbers; the inclusion of 396 relocations, less than half as many as in Edition 17 (which itself had half as many as Edition 16); a continuation of the process of reducing the Western emphasis; a change in the area notation to recognize that Indonesia and the Philippines are part of Asia rather than part of Oceania; and provision for classifying any subject in extraterrestrial worlds, for example, rocks on the moon, and later, if needed, social conditions in the planetary system of Arcturus!

The new edition is sold by Forest Press, Inc., 85 Watervliet Ave., Albany, N.Y. 12206, for \$45 plus postage, and it is expected that purchasers will be entitled to receive a free bulletin, issued occasionally, which will record corrections, changes, and new numbers.

The Gutenberg Bible. Rev. ed. 1971. (4 p.) A folder describing the history of the production of the Gutenberg Bible and reproducing two pages of the text. Free upon request to the Library of Congress, Publications Distribution Unit, Central Services Division, Washington, D.C. 20540.

The Library of Congress: A Sesquicentenary Review by Dan Lacy, Deputy Chief Assistant Librarian, Washington, D.C., 1970. Reprinted from *The Library Quarterly*, July and October 1950 (Vol. 20, Nos. 3 and 4, pp. 157-179 and 235-258). The reprint is free upon request to the Library of Congress, Publications Distribution Unit, Central Services Division.

This article, reprinted in 1950 during the sesquicentennial of the Library of Congress, presents a detailed account of the growth of the Library and provides a background to the Library's development in the last two decades.

The National Union Catalog: A Cumulative Author List Representing Library of Congress Printed Cards and Titles Reported by Other American Libraries. November 1971, (xx, 888 p.) and December 1971 (xx, 700 p.) Compiled by the Library of Congress with the cooperation of the Resources Committee of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association. For sale by the Card Division, Library of Congress, Building 159, Navy Yard Annex, Washington, D.C. 20541.

New Serial Titles—Classed Subject Arrangement. January 1972. (35 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials and published monthly by the Library of Congress. For sale by the Card Division.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Commencing Publication after December 31, 1949. January 1972. (xii, 30 p.) Prepared under the sponsorship of the Joint Committee on the Union List of Serials. Supplement to the *Union List of Serials*, 3rd Edition. For sale by the Card Division.

Press Releases: No. 72-10 (February 3) Harold Spivacke retires as Chief of the Music Division of Library of Congress; No. 72-11 (February 7) Librarian of Congress appoints Misch Kohn to Pennell Collection recommending committee; No. 72-12 (February 7) Two performances of "Sally, George and Martha" to be given at the Library of Congress, February 21 and 22; No. 72-13 (February 8) Library of Congress announces publication of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address in 29 languages.

STAFF NEWS

Sergius Yakobson Honored

The accomplishments of Sergius Yakobson, the Library's Honorary Consultant in Slavic Studies, who retired last May as Chief of the Slavic and Central European Division and as Senior Specialist in Russian Affairs in CRS, have been recorded in two recent publications. A note in the June 1971 issue of *East European Quarterly* (Vol. 5, No. 2, p. 133) praises Mr. Yakobson for his contribution to "broadening the horizons of scholarship in the Slavic and East European field through expansion of the holdings of the Library of Congress and through the establishment of valid exchange programs with the countries of Eastern Europe"

"A Tribute to Sergius Yakobson, Honorary Chairman" appears in the *Proceedings* of a symposium sponsored last year by the Washington chapter of the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies and by the Institute of Sino-Soviet Studies of George Washington University. Mr. Yakobson, who was Honorary Chairman of the symposium, is cited for "his long and distinguished career . . . in the field of Slavic studies"

Waters Named Acting Chief

Edward N. Waters has been designated Acting Chief of the Library's Music Division.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: Carol Barsky, editorial clerk, GS-4, CRS A, PA2493; Robert E. Bolden, clerk-typist, GS-2, Cat Publ, OP500-10; Linda K. Bolek, correspondence clerk, GS-3, Cop

Exam, OP200-2; Betty A. Brockman, clerk typist, GS-2, Cat Publ, OP500-10; Benjamin F. Carter, mail clerk, GS-3, Ord, PA2465; David E. Dance, bindery helper, WP-8, Restor, NP; David G. Eastbridge, cataloger, GS-7, Cop Cat, PA2470; Thomas E. Fahey, library aid, GS-3, Ser, PA2485; Robert C. Gaddis, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100-6; Mia F. Greene, clerk-typist, GS-4, FRD, PA2369; Brenda L. Helms, clerk-typist, GS-2, Cop Serv, OP200-1; George N. Howlett, library aid, GS-3, Loan, OP600-7; Lester L. Ledbetter, clerk, GS-4, Cop Cat, PA2480; Thomas N. Lyons, legal assistant, GS-7, CRS A, PA2323; Katherine R. Montgomery, education analyst, GS-7, CRS ED, PA2446; Elouise B. Rhone, clerk-typist, GS-4, Card, PA2273; Josephine P. Sanders, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100-1; Charlie Tolbert, Jr., janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100-6; Paul R. Walsh, mail clerk, GS-3, Cop Serv, OP200-9; Ronald M. Williams, library aid, GS-3, Ser, PA2485; Jesse H. Wilson, library technician, GS-4, Ser, PA2473.

Temporary Appointments: Laura A. Christian, clerk-typist, GS-4, FRD, PA2369; Cynthia E. Hawkins, inquiries recorder, GS-7, CRS, PA2488; Louisiana S. Jones, clerk-typist, GS-3, E&G, NP; Blanchard Randall, library aid, GS-3, CRS L, PA2520; Helen Reid, technical information specialist, GS-5, CRS C, PA2490.

Reappointments: Pablo A. Calvan, librarian, GS-7, S&R, PA2460; Harold Moore, library aid, GS-3, CRS L, PA2520; Andrew R. Porvaznik, janitor, WG-1, Bldgs, OP100-6; Gregory D. Robinson, production assistant-arranger, GS-3, Cat Publ, OP500-9.

Promotions: Joseph Brooks, Jr., CS, to motor vehicle operator, WS-2, Bldgs, PB2477; James E. Colbert, Jr., CRS L, to peripheral equipment operator, GS-4, CRS A, PA2491; Albert Cherry, to supervisory library technician, Card, GS-9, PC2437; Marianne M. Dubuque, to librarian, GS-7, Subj Cat, PA2387; Patricia A. Leiner, to secretary to the executive officer, GS-7, CRS, PC2463; Isabelle E. Malloy to library technician, GS-4, CRS C, PA2498; Linda Martin, CRS F, to technical information specialist, GS-5, CRS C, PA2490; Bonny L. Specker to publication clerk, GS-3, Cop Cat, PA2480; Haskell L. Washington, Jr., to laborer foreman, WS-4, Bldgs, PB2478.

Transfers: Willie L. Swain, Ord, to deck attendant (trainee), GS-3, Ser, PA2485.

Resignations: Henrietta J. Boyd, ISO; Nancy S. Butts, FRD; Laura R. Clemons, Cop Cat; Diane E. Dixon, Ord; Michael D. Hardy, Cop Serv; Richard E. Jackson, FMO; Anita L. Koczan, Desc Cat; Paul E. Martin, S&R; John F. Merchant, Cat Publ; Roy Key Powell, Cop Serv; Catherine S. Thompson, Bldgs; Viveca Yoshikawa, Share Cat.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Mrs. **Henriette D. Avram**, Chief of the Library's MARC Development Office, is the subject of an

article in the Fall 1971 issue of *Library Resources and Technical Services* (Vol. 15, No. 4, pp. 525-531). The article, written by Josephine S. Pulsifer of Becker and Hayes, Inc., Bethesda, Md., recounts Mrs. Avram's accomplishments at LC, and is concluded by a bibliography of the numerous articles she has contributed since 1965 to various periodical publications. A photograph showing Mrs. Avram at ceremonies last year at which she received the Margaret Mann Citation in Cataloging and Classification accompanies the article.

Roy P. Basler, Chief of the Manuscript Division, has contributed an essay entitled "The Poet as Composer—Lee Anderson" to the current issue of *The Sewanee Review*, January-March, pp. 151-167.

Elden E. Billings, Analyst in the Economics Division, Congressional Research Service, has received the 1971 Lincoln Award of the Year, presented by the Lincoln Group of the District of Columbia for outstanding interest, research, and scholarship of Abraham Lincoln.

Mr. Billings received the award at the group's annual banquet on February 10.

Mrs. Eilene Galloway, Senior Specialist in International Relations, Foreign Affairs Division, Congressional Research Service, presented a paper on "The Role of the United Nations in Earth Resources Satellites" at the regional meeting of the American Society of International Law on "Earth Resource Satellites in International Law" held at the University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara, Calif., on February 4-5.

Tao-tai Hsia, Chief of the Far Eastern Law Division, addressed a group of students and faculty members at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville, Ill., on January 31. His topic dealt with the laws of the People's Republic of China of interest to visiting Americans.

Yash Pal Mahajan, Bibliography and Printing Specialist, Library of Congress Office, New Delhi, has compiled a comprehensive bibliography entitled *Hindi Sahitya: Alochana Granth-Suchi, 1947-1971* (Hindi Literature: Books on Hindi Literary Criticism and Linguistics), listing 6,000 titles published in Hindi. Published by Bharatiya Granth Niketan, Delhi, the volume was released December 2 by Sarojini Mahishi, Union Minister of State for Tourism and Civil Aviation, at a tea attended by a large gathering of librarians, writers, critics, publishers, and journalists. It will be available to readers through the Southern Asia Section of the Library's Orientalia Division as soon as processing has been completed.

Mr. Mahajan, in collaboration with his wife, com-

piled in 1965 another bibliography entitled *Brihad Hindi Granth Suchi* (Hindi Books in Print) with a supplement published in 1967, both of which are in the Library's collections.

Linda Solow of the Music Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, delivered a paper on the value of practical experience in education for librarianship at the open meeting of the Committee on Professional Education of the Music Library Association at the Winter Meeting in Tucson, Ariz., February 2-5.

Two Science and Technology Division staff members spoke to separate audiences in the Washington, D.C., area recently. Constance Carter, Head of the Reference Section, was the luncheon speaker at the Washington Chapter of the American Marketing Association's meeting on February 8 at the Army-Navy Club. Miss Carter described the reference and referral services provided by the Library to the scientific and industrial community. The Washington Chapter, called the Government Marketing Division, consists of some 400 members from major U.S. industrial firms having Washington representation.

Donald Wright, Technical Information Specialist in the Resources Analysis Section, described the functions of the Science and Technology Division's National Referral Center (NRC) to a workshop sponsored jointly by the District of Columbia government and the Environmental Protection Agency. The purpose of the workshop, held at the Environmental Protection Agency headquarters on January 15, was to draft a proposal, to be presented to the Office of Education, for the development of an environmental education program in the District of Columbia. Mr. Wright also distributed NRC information kits to the chairmen of the eight committees into which the workshop was later divided and to the workshop organizers. Much of the discussion of the Federal Organizations Committee was devoted to a report that Mr. Wright took with him to the meeting. Titled *A Study of Environmental Quality Information Programs in the Federal Government*, the report was prepared in May 1971 for the Office of Science and Technology, Executive Office of the President, by an interagency committee (the so-called SEQUIP Committee) in which the Science and Technology Division participated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Marjorie R. Kulisheck, Assistant Classification Officer, will discuss the position classification process at a meeting of the LC Professional Association at noon on Thursday, February 24, in the Whittall Pavilion.

The annual meeting of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union will be held in the Coolidge Auditorium at 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 24. Credit Union members wishing to attend this meeting are allowed one hour of official leave. Members in attendance will be presented with a gift and will be eligible for door prizes.

Staff members interested in forming a "Great Decisions" discussion group on Capitol Hill are invited to call Mrs. Edna Wolfe at the Supreme Court, 393-1640, ext. 325. "Great Decisions" discussion groups, part of a nationwide program, are annual study-discussion programs on key foreign policy topics.

Mary Johnson and Perry Wright were married on Saturday, January 22. Mrs. Wright is a Keyboarder in the MARC Editorial Office and Mr. Wright is a pathologist with the Veterans' Hospital in Baltimore. They are living in Baltimore.

NEW REFERENCE BOOKS

The publication of the fourth and final volume of *Biographical Dictionary of Republican China* (Columbia University Press, 1967-71 DS778.A1.B5) brings to a conclusion a 16-year project which will be of great benefit to students of modern Chinese affairs. This exceedingly valuable work was edited by Howard L. Boorman and Richard C. Howard, who were assisted by 15 staff members serving for varying lengths of time during these years, and by some 85 contributors, each of whom prepared one or more biographical accounts. The dictionary includes approximately 600 biographical accounts of persons who achieved prominence in the Republican period, from 1911 to 1949. The entire project, which was made possible by a series of Ford Foundation grants, was conducted under the auspices of the School of International Affairs, Columbia University. In his preface, Mr. Boorman expresses his appreciation of and admiration for a work which in many respects served as a model—*Eminent Chinese of the Ch'ing Period*, edited by Arthur W. Hummel and published by the Library of Congress in 1943-44.

The Library has also recently received the *Biographic Dictionary of Chinese Communism, 1921-1965*, compiled by Donald W. Klein and Anne B. Clark (2 vols., Harvard University Press, 1971 DS778.A1.K55 1971). This work, another major contribution to knowledge of modern China, "contains

433 biographies of men and women who contributed to the Chinese Communist movement from the establishment of the Chinese Communist Party in 1921 to 1965," followed by 96 appendixes "to lead the reader to key events and organizations in the Party's history and to bring together information about various groups of men and their activities." In addition to the persons who are subjects of individual biographies, information on some 700 persons is included in the text, and another 450 persons in the appendixes. An extensive introduction explains, among other matters, the selection of entries, the format of a typical biography, and the reasons for the stress laid on the organizational ties of the individuals included. Much of the information in these volumes was assembled in Hong Kong, where Mr. Klein made extensive use of the resources of the Union Research Institute and the public files of biographical information assembled by the American Consulate-General.

Complete sets of both of the biographical dictionaries are available in the Chinese and Korean Section of the Orientalia Division. [Edwin G. Beal]

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

Taiwan Library Starts Cataloging in Source Plan

The October 1971 issue of the *Newsletter* of the National Central Library, Taipei, Taiwan, announced the start of a Cataloging in Source project. The project began on September 1, 1971, with four publishers: National Institute for Compilation and Translation, Collectanea Sinica Committee Series, Cheng Chung Book Company, and Commercial Press, Ltd.

According to the plan, each cooperating publisher will submit books to the Library just before publication, the books will be cataloged within 24 to 48 hours, and the catalog card will be printed in the back of each book. Advantages to the project include standardized cataloging, better bibliographical control, and saving other libraries time and work.

The tentative arrangement will be expanded and placed on a permanent basis if it proves successful.

National Microfilm Association Midwinter Meeting

The National Microfilm Association held its Midwinter Meeting on January 26-28 in San Diego, Calif. The meeting was devoted to the needs of the 250 advanced practitioners in the field present through discussions on micropublishing, systems analysis, and computer output microfilming.

Statements on the broadening goals of the National Microfilm Association were made by John R. Robertson, President of NMA, particularly in the areas of job certification and establishment of an educational program to include seminars and adult education. The Midwinter Meeting also included a forum for an overview of the Association by key members of the NMA staff.

Following an NMA luncheon on January 27, awards were presented to members of the Standards Committee on Inspection and Quality Control whose draft industry standard had been submitted for approval to the NMA Standards Board. The industry standard will be published by the National Microfilm Association in its regular series, and will be available from the Association in the near future.

[Charles G. LaHood]

New Technology Newsletter Published

Advanced Technology/Libraries, a new newsletter publication, which originated as a publication sponsored by the U. S. Army under its Advanced Technical Library Improvement Program and which is intended to "help librarians bridge the gap to advanced technology," has been announced by Becker and Hayes, Inc. The first-year objective, as stated in Vol. 1, No. 1, dated January 1972, is to present a "tool-kit of the new information centered technologies." The first issue deals with the use of systems planning as a library tool to enable evaluation of existing and potential library systems.

Subsequent issues for 1972 reportedly will cover such topics as CATV and video recording, computer output microfilm, mini-computers, telephone communication services, as well as facsimile transmission, printing and text composition, and graphic display terminals for digital input.

The publication schedule calls for 10 issues a year, with a one-year subscription rate of \$28. A complimentary copy may be obtained by writing to the publishers, *Advanced Technology/Libraries*, 11661 San Vicente Blvd., Suite 907, Los Angeles, Calif. 90049.

Sweden Sets Up Computerized Library Network

The International Labor Office (ILO) and the Swedish Agency for Administrative Development (Statskontoret), which is responsible for systems analysis and computer use within the Swedish government, have signed a cooperative agreement in the field of information retrieval.

The ILO has made available to the Swedish government its Integrated Set of Information Systems

(ISIS), a computer program package developed over the past eight years.

The ILO system will be used within a Swedish national computerized library network (LIBRIS), parts of which have already been developed. Both ISIS and LIBRIS are on-line remote control systems using visual display terminals. Demonstrations were held illustrating their capabilities in the new University Library at Linköping during January 24-28.

A feature of the demonstrations was a search of the ILO files using an IBM computer in Stockholm, the LIBRIS files on a SAAB computer in Linköping, and a Danish file on an LME computer in Stockholm from a single visual display.

The Swedish LIBRIS system will be made available to the United Nations family of organizations for possible use in an interagency library information system.

Library Computer Applications Clinic Set

The Ninth Annual Clinic on Library Applications of Data Processing will be held April 30-May 3 at the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana. The clinic, sponsored by the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science, will present an overview of the state of the art of library mechanization in the on-line mode. There will be discussion of several major operating systems as well as demonstrations. Intermediate and advanced levels of computer applications in libraries will be emphasized.

Society of Architectural Historians Meets

The 25th Annual Meeting of the Society of Architectural Historians was held in San Francisco on January 26-30, under the general chairmanship of Alan Gowans, Vice President of the Society.

The program was varied, offering panels on Architecture in the Pacific Northwest, Moderne Architecture, Oriental Architecture, Aspects of Landscape Architecture (the first time a whole session has been devoted to this subject), a redefinition of Preservation, and several more general sessions with a variety of papers such as Early Mental Hospitals, Le Corbusier, Sources of Japanese Influence, and Bernard Ralph Maybeck.

Most of the tours were scheduled for Saturday and Sunday. They included Landscape Architecture in the Bay area, Historic Houses, Architecture before the Earthquake, Buildings by Bernard Maybeck and by Julia Morgan, Moderne Architecture, Modern Architecture, and Architecture of the Monterey Peninsula.

Hospitality and receptions were generously pro-

vided at the M. H. DeYoung Memorial Museum, San Francisco Museum of Art, Oakland Museum Association, University Art Museum and Arts Council, California Historical Society, Monterey Peninsula Museum of Art, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the San Francisco and Monterey Bay Chapters of the American Institute of Architects.

[*Virginia Daiker*]

60TH MEETING OF COLLEGE ART ASSOCIATION

At the 60th Annual Meeting of the College Art Association, held this year in San Francisco, there were again special sessions devoted to the interests of art librarians and slide curators.

At the Art Libraries Session, Mrs. Kate T. Steinitz delivered a paper on "Early Art Bibliographies" and Mrs. Eva K. Wisbar spoke on the new requirements of the multi-media research center. There were presentations of plans for two new art bibliographies. Michael Rinehart reported on the College Art Association plan to prepare a trial international art history abstract and index publication, drawing upon the resources of bibliographic centers and scholars in the United States and Europe. Plans for this were formulated at a meeting held in October 1971 at the National Gallery of Art, under CAA sponsorship (and with a grant from the Kress Foundation), and Mr. Rinehart has agreed to edit the pilot volume.

The American Bibliographic Center, in Santa Barbara, Calif., has hired Alexander Davis to edit its forthcoming series of art history literature indexes. Mr. Davis, Professor Henri Dorra, Dr. Roger Bilboul, and Eric H. Boehm, President of the American Bibliographical Center, described the limits of their selective international index, and the plans they have for further publications. A lively discussion period followed.

At the business meeting of the group, Mrs. Elizabeth Usher, of the Metropolitan Museum, was elected Chairman of the group, succeeding Judith Hoffberg who organized this year's session.

The slide curators' sessions included both practical and theoretical topics, among them Sterling Callisen describing the CAA lantern slide project, Sharon Petrini (of Los Angeles County Museum of Art) on museums as slide sources, and James Strand of the Victoria and Albert Museum, London, speaking on decorative arts slide collections.

In addition to the usual art historical sessions (and some unusual ones, including a panel on "Eroticism & Female Imagery in the Art of the 19th Century," the spirited meetings of the New Art Associations, and

the Critics' Panel), there were receptions and special exhibitions at museums in San Francisco and Berkeley. [Alan Fern]

FLC Will Develop Picture Sources Guide

The Federal Library Committee (FLC) has received a grant from The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation to develop *A Directory of Picture Sources in the District of Columbia* to be issued no later than March 1973.

The illustrated *Directory* will provide a guide to libraries, museums, galleries, and other sources for pictures of documentary or artistic merit required for research, publication, and artistic uses. Patrons of the arts, Federal and other librarians, representatives of foreign governments stationed in Washington, writers, news media representatives, and visitors to Washington are among potential users of the volume.

The professional expertise of visual specialists in the Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress, and in other libraries, galleries, and museums, including those in the private sector, will be utilized as appropriate.

Frank Kurt Cylke, FLC Executive Secretary, and Renata V. Shaw, Bibliographic Specialist in the Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress, initiated the project. Alan M. Fern, Assistant Chief, Prints and Photographs Division, Library of Congress, will serve as chief consultant.

Questions concerning the project may be directed to the Secretariat, FLC, Room 310, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. 20540.

National Endowment Grant List Available

Programs of the National Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts, a booklet listing grants made during fiscal year 1971, is available free of charge from the Budget and Research Division, National Endowment for the Arts, 806 15th St., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20506. The document updates an earlier publication, *The First Five Years*, which listed grants made from fiscal 1966 through fiscal 1970.

Richard Kleeman Named to AAP Post

Richard P. Kleeman, Washington correspondent for

the Minneapolis *Tribune*, has been appointed Assistant Director of the Association of American Publishers' Washington office. Mr. Kleeman will work on legislative matters as an assistant to Robert W. Frase, Director of the Washington office.

Mr. Kleeman has been with the *Tribune* since 1946, and, prior to his Washington assignment in 1966, was the paper's education writer for 11 years after serving in various editorial positions. He is currently chairman of the National Freedom of Information Committee of Sigma Delta Chi, and recipient of five national awards for his writing in the field of education.

Washington SLA to Host New Members

The Washington Chapter of the Special Libraries Association (SLA) will hold its annual reception to greet new members with a buffet and cash bar on Tuesday, February 29, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Caucus Room, 345 Cannon House Office Building, New Jersey and Independence Aves. Free parking will be available on the lot adjoining the Congressional Hotel on C St. between New Jersey and First St., S.E. A policeman will be on duty and members may use the back entrance of the Cannon Building. Checks for \$5.50, payable to the SLA, Washington Chapter, should be sent before February 24 to Mary Murphy, 8102 Birnam Wood Dr., McLean, Va. 22101. For reservations or information, call 227-2104 during office hours.

Hospital Librarians Will Meet

Mrs. Phyllis Dalton, Assistant State Librarian, California State Library, will be the featured speaker at the April 17-18 meeting of the Hospital Librarians' Section of the Association of Western Hospitals (AWH). Mrs. Dalton will discuss the new AHA Library Standards for Hospital Accreditation.

The two-day meeting, which is sponsored jointly by the Medical Library Group of Southern California, will include panel discussions, a business meeting, election of officers, a workshop on audiovisual equipment, and exhibits.

The final program for the meeting is available from AWH Executive Offices, 26 O'Farrell St., San Francisco, Calif. 94108.

APPENDIX

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ALA MIDWINTER MEETING Chicago, Ill., January 23-29, 1972

INFORMAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The Executive Board of ALA sponsored an informal membership information meeting on Tuesday evening, January 25, for the purpose of presenting a detailed report on the Association's financial situation.

Robert R. McClarren, ALA Treasurer, listed the sources of income available to the Association: (1) a fixed rate of return from the Carnegie Endowment Fund and the General Endowment (the investments of life membership payments); (2) the income from the Carnegie Fund, which is designated for book lists; and (3) and most important, membership dues.

Since the last increase in membership rates, the number of both personal and organizational members has dropped, but the total funds derived from dues have increased. Because of the pressure for new programs and services, however, expenditures have more than kept pace. The endowments (which amounted to \$3,025,000 as of November 30, 1971) can, in a broad sense, be considered as a reserve, but the Association has never provided for a contingency fund in its budget. Thus, it became necessary in 1971 to use money from the endowments to meet the operating needs of the Association. In order to retrench, staff vacancies have not been filled. Present staff members are also foregoing the step increases due them this year so that it will not be necessary to make further reductions in the staff.

The discussion portion of the program produced various comments, criticisms, and suggestions, including one urging the use of market research to increase the membership of the Association. It was estimated that only about 30 percent of librarians in the United States are members of ALA. [*Nathan R. Einhorn*]

THE PRESIDENT'S PROGRAM

Departing from its customary policy at Midwinter meetings, ALA presented a President's Program on January 26 on the theme of International Book Year (IBY). Robert Vosper, Librarian of the University of California at Los Angeles, who planned the Program, opened the evening with a brief statement on the current relationship between Unesco and the Inter-

national Federation of Library Associations (IFLA). Mr. Vosper reported that, contrary to recently published accounts, Unesco has not withdrawn its support of IFLA, which is now investigating policies of certain of its constituent associations in Rhodesia and the Republic of South Africa with respect to apartheid. Mr. Vosper then read a telegram from President Nixon congratulating the Association on its accomplishments of the past 100 years, following which Mr. Vosper moved on to the theme of the program by introducing the Master of Ceremonies, Theodore Waller, Co-Chairman of the ad hoc U.S. Committee for International Book Year, 1972. Mr. Waller spoke briefly of IBY and its "cornerstone," the "Charter of the Book," which he called a "landmark document of great importance to the American Library Association and its members" and of special significance with respect to the free flow of materials and copyright legislation. Mr. Waller anticipates as the climax of IBY a U.S. sponsored world conference involving planners in the fields of economic development, communications media, and education.

Chief S. O. Adebo, the first speaker of the evening, characterized himself as a representative of a developing country and a life-long reading addict. Chief Adebo, formerly Nigerian Ambassador to the United Nations and now Executive Director of the U.N. Institute for Training and Research, focused primarily upon the importance of the book in the developing world. Just as poverty in the United States is not to be compared with poverty in most developing countries, so the shortage of books in the United States is not comparable to the shortage of books in Africa, Asia, and much of Latin America. Freedom to read has little meaning to those who have no books to read. Chief Adebo urged that attention be paid not only to the problems of quantity but of quality as well. Production of publications within the countries themselves must be encouraged; in this context he referred to the important role played by Franklin Books in Africa and elsewhere. Chief Adebo stressed, however, that no country in the world should aim toward self-sufficiency in book production. "International communion in the exchange of books is as

important to the developed world as to the undeveloped world."

The Honorable Alan K. Rothnie, Consul General of Great Britain in Chicago, followed Chief Adebo as second speaker of the evening, describing the efforts of his government in promoting indigenous publishing at the same time it is making British educational books available through subsidy. Mr. Rothnie spoke of the reorganization of library service in Britain, describing such service as an integral part of the educational and social structure of a modern state.

As moderator of a panel discussion, Thomas Buckman, President of the Foundation Center in New York City, provided an illuminating transition from international to national aspects of IBY. Mr. Buckman reminded his audience of the community of social problems which Americans share with other cultures, denying that national and international demands for creative solutions are necessarily competitive. He added that International Book Year should reawaken an awareness that we live in one world, in which peoples have a responsibility to each other which transcends national borders.

The first panel member, Carol M. Owens, Executive Secretary of the U.S. Government Advisory Committee on Book and Library Programs, suggested that International Book Year might better have been expressed as Year of the Book, Internationally. Miss Owens, seconding Mr. Buckman, affirmed that Americans have a great deal to gain through support of IBY as enlightened self-interest. She spoke of specific programs under consideration, such as establishment of sister-library agreements involving the possible exchange of personnel.

Robert Koester and David Michener, formerly with the U.S. Peace Corps in Africa and now members of the Africana Division at Northwestern University Library, spoke of their efforts to provide rural students with books and minimal library service, and on the difficulties of providing a meaningful educational experience with only a handful of outdated, inappropriate textbooks.

Esther J. Walls, Director of the U.S. IBY Secretariat, enthusiastically described her work in promoting individual and institutional participation in IBY. A Handbook, a bi-monthly newsletter, and a calendar of events are now available from the Director of the U.S. IBY Secretariat, National Book Committee, Inc., 1 Park Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016. Miss Walls said that librarians, already committed to IBY in a professional sense, now have an opportunity—and an obligation—to give concrete expression

to that commitment.

Ralph Newman, President of the Chicago Public Library Board of Trustees and a prominent Chicago book dealer, as final speaker on the panel cautioned against approaching IBY as an opportunity for mutual admiration and self-congratulation. He described IBY as a way of calling attention to the world of books and to the necessity of educating, training, and leading newcomers into that world. Mr. Newman stressed the importance of innovation, and forcefully urged all American librarians to "think anew and act anew". [*Frank M. McGowan*]

NPAC REPORTS

On Monday evening January 24, more than 80 librarians assembled to hear informal reports on the current status of the National Program for Acquisitions and Cataloging (NPAC). Edmond L. Applebaum, Assistant Director for Acquisitions and Overseas Operations of the Processing Department, Library of Congress, briefly reviewed the highlights of the last six months.

Dale Bentz, University Librarian of the University of Iowa Libraries, described their "Bibliographic Search Operation," which is designed to match their current receipts with LC cataloging found either in the NPAC depository card file arranged by main entry or in their microfiche service of LC catalog data arranged by LC card number with a title index. Of the 25,354 titles processed for cataloging by Iowa during the first six months of 1971, 18,522 (73 percent) were matched with LC cards in the NPAC depository file, an additional 4,742 titles (20 percent) were located in a microfiche LC card file, and 2,089 (seven percent) were originally cataloged.

Franklyn Bright, Chief of the Technical Services Division at the University of Wisconsin Memorial Library, explained their "Deferred Search Program," an experimental program conducted first for domestic titles and later to be expanded to include NPAC imprints as well. NPAC depository cards are arranged by title and an interim receipt or order slip is filed in the depository file if it is not matched immediately with the appropriate LC card. Actual searching of the books is deferred for six months. Experience has shown that approximately 50 percent are matched upon receipt of the books, an additional 25 percent are matched within six months as newly received depository cards are filed in the set, and approximately 12.5 percent of the books can be located when the remaining books are searched for the first time after six months, resulting in LC catalog avail-

ability in the depository file within six months for at least 87.5 percent of their current receipts. Additional searching of the remaining titles in other sources of LC catalog data has resulted in bringing the total match rate to 94.4 percent.

Mr. Applebaum closed the meeting with thanks to the two speakers and to the NPAC libraries who send regular reports on the availability of LC cataloging. He invited librarians from other participating libraries to speak at future NPAC meetings.

[Edmond L. Applebaum]

PRESIDENT'S COMMITTEE ON EMPLOYMENT OF THE HANDICAPPED: LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Making reading more comfortable for all handicapped persons and encouraging more returning Vietnam veterans to use the services of their local public libraries were the major concerns of the Library Committee of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped, which met concurrently with the Midwinter Meeting of ALA, on January 24.

The Committee will cosponsor a program with the Round Table on Library Service to the Blind and several ALA Divisions at the Annual Conference. Cooperating in the program will be the American Optometric Association. The session will include a demonstration of a number of optical aids which have been developed to make reading easier for handicapped persons. These devices enhance the capacity of persons with some useful vision to meet their career, educational, and recreational reading requirements and could be made available in any library.

Robert S. Bray, Chairman of the Library Committee of the President's Committee and Chief of the Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, said that this program will—for the first time—bring optometrists and librarians together so that optometrists can learn what librarians can do to help promote the use of the aids, and librarians can learn what kinds of aids are available and can receive technical guidance from optometrists.

The Library Committee voted to ask all public libraries to work with the Veterans' Administration and offices of their State employment services, veterans organizations, State and local veterans employment representatives to encourage all returning Vietnam-era veterans—especially disabled veterans—to get and use library cards.

A program of this type is already in operation in Akron, Ohio, at the request of the Library Com-

mittee, in which the public library works closely with the Akron Office of the Bureau of Employment Security. The Bureau fills out an application for library privileges for the veteran and urges him to go to the library to get a library card. [Robert S. Bray]

ROUND TABLE ON LIBRARY SERVICE TO THE BLIND

The Round Table on Library Service to the Blind, at its annual business meeting held January 26, made plans for several program meetings to be held during the annual ALA meetings in Chicago in June and in Las Vegas in 1973.

Included in the plans are cooperative programs with the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and the American Optometric Association on optical aids which are designed to enhance reading for handicapped persons; a plan to cooperate with the Library Administration Division on their program concerning architectural barriers; and the Campbell Awards luncheon at which John Ciardi will be the main speaker.

The 20 or so members present expressed their support and assistance for a pending comprehensive revision by the Association of Hospital and Institutional Libraries of the publication *Reading Aids for the Handicapped*, and also for the proposed updating of standards as they apply to library service for the blind and visually handicapped.

A Publications Advisory Board has been established and an editor is soon to be appointed for the Round Table's biannual publication *News and Views*.

A new brochure designed and printed in cooperation with the Membership Promotion Coordinator of the American Library Association was distributed to the members present. Several proposals for its use in attracting new members to the Round Table were presented to the chairman A. D. Hagle, for consideration. [Alfred D. Hagle]

STATISTICS

Frank L. Schick, Library Surveys Branch, U.S. Office of Education, discussed USOE statistical activity during the ALA Midwinter Conference. He noted that approximately 90 percent response had been realized in "1970-71 College and University Survey" and "1970 School Library Survey." He mentioned that the Federal Library Committee would undertake a comprehensive survey of Federal libraries under contract to USOE. [Frank Kurt Cylke]

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